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CHAPTER II.

HIS LORDSHIP'S TOWN HOUSE.

The residence of Hyacinth Cronan M D, L R C P, general practitioner, was in Camden street, Camden Town. His surgery his consulting room, and his red lamp were also attached to the same house, where patients not only received advice, but saw their medicines mixed before their eyes, and might also if they wished, have their teeth drawn. Probably—it is not safe to make the statement with greater confidence—no practitioner in Camden Town had a larger practice, very few of his brethren, except among the youngest men—those just starting—made a smaller income No man in the parish except the postman walked a greater number of miles every day, nor did any body, except the tram car conductor—and even he gets every other Sunday off, which the doctor does not—work for longer hours There were in Dr Cronan's case the usual compensations though the income was small the family was large, there were plenty of wants to exhaust the scanty means, though the loaves were few the mouths were many This is, as has often been remarked, one of Dame Nature's playful ways. She substitutes for the things which are missing those which are superfluous or least prayed for she adds to the things which are already possessed others which may deprive them of their value Thus, on him who has the greatest good fortune luck and worldly happiness she bestows an asthma which deprives him of the power of enjoying anything at all, and when a poor man has succeeded with infinite trouble and self denial in saving a little money she sends him an illness or a misfortune which gobbles up his little all to the rich man she denies an heir, and to the poor man, who has nothing to leave she showers heirs and heiresses However, Dame Nature means well and we are but poor blind mortals and, doubtless, know not what is best for us On this principle of playfulness Nature had enriched Dr Hyacinth Cronan with ten children, of whom Calista the eldest now in her twenty second year, was as we have seen, a sister at the Children's Hospital. The second named Hyacinth,

meant that those who proclaimed creed are indifferent to the fate of protection In any event, it would be for labor organizations to diligently inquire and ascertain how the wages of labor in the United States can be kept above the rate of wages in England, Germany and France on the same articles of manufacture, without the intervention of protective duties, with the present cheap modes of interchange and transportation of all commodities I inquire of these gentlemen how, under the rule of free trade, can wages in the United States be kept above the general standard of European wages? I do not stop for details of argument I only desire to lodge the question in the minds of millions of American laborers, who have it in their power to maintain protection or to inaugurate free trade, who have it in their power to uphold the party of protection or the party of free trade

Another portentous fact has been noted, so far as I have observed, from the consideration and judgment of labor organizations. They seem to have taken little or no heed of the existence of more than a million and a half able bodied laborers in the South with dark skins, but with expanding intellect, increasing intelligence and growing ambition While these men were slaves, working the corn, wool and cotton fields, in rice swamps and on the sugar

[illegible] was possessed of a substantial income—no less than two hundred pounds a year What the ten children would have done without that two hundred a year one cannot even think What became of all the rest of the aldermen's money I know not Some of the grandchildren had, no doubt, run through their portions and were gone abroad, some were clerks some had shops, some were professional men, not one, I am sure, was imitating the great example of his grandfather and saving money for those of the twentieth century to spend

One evening in June about half past nine o'clock while it is still almost light enough to read without a lamp Dr Cronan sat by the empty fire in the family dining room surrounded by his family. It was not every evening that he could thus sit at his ease in slippers, with a pipe between his lips and the "materials" on the table. The room was called the dining room, but it was the family sitting room work room study, and anything else. They lived in it they received their visitors in it and they took their meals in it. The window was open for it was actually a warm evening though only at the beginning of June the gas was lit and if the room was crowded it had a happy look as if the family were on the whole good tempered. Among those family possessions which [illegible] it is found in the house at all

The Cronans took their good temper chiefly from their father—it was just one more of Nature's compensations to make up for the small income. No one ever saw the doctor cross or irritable not even when after a long day's work he was called out again at night. He was a tall man, of spare figure his one dark hair and whiskers well streaked with gray. His features were clear and handsome and his blue eyes had a trick of lighting up suddenly, and his mouth of dropping into a smile on small provocation. Certainly not a weeping philosopher nor one inclined to rail at the times even if they were ten times as disjointed

The picture of family life at its easiest and happiest presented in this Camden Town household is reproduced every night in miles of streets and thousands of houses. It is complete when the mother sits—as Mrs Cronan sat this evening—with a basket of work before her placidly stitching. She had been married for twenty four years, and had stitched without stopping for twenty three years, so that she now desired no other occupation but leisurely stitching. When the children were younger there was greater pressure—the stitching was hurried. Beside her sat her second daughter, Norah. She had a book in her hand, but I think she was not reading much, for she did not turn over the pages and her eyes were looking through the open window into the back garden, where two lilacs and a laburnum were in full bloom. When a girl is engaged to the most delightful fellow in the world and the cleverest, there are not many books which she cares to read. If it be asked why she was not assisting her mother in darning the family stockings, it is enough to reply that a girl who is private secretary to a genealogist, who draws a salary and pays for her own board, and who is engaged all day in the most scientific researches, cannot be expected to darn stockings in the evening Geraldine, the third daughter, was learning a lesson for next day's school, and the three boys, Terence Alberic and Larry, were having a row royal, in which a body interfered—in so large a family there is always a row going on between some of the members—over a backgammon board That is to say, two of them quarrelling, and the third, who ardently desired to swing a shillelagh in the fray, had been hustled and bundled out of the squabble at an early stage, and now sat quiet, waiting for his chance

Such a picture as this is truly national, it represents the English bonheur de famille. Less civilized nations go to theatres, cafes chantants open air concerts, operas, dances, circuses, public gardens—all kinds of things. All 'in family' our people stay at home, each household in its own room. The elder boys however, have got a trick of spending the evening out. In his hand the doctor had an evening paper, and he was reading it slowly, as is the habit with men who have no time for much reading, and sometimes forget the newspaper for many days together From time to time he jerked a piece of news at his wife, who never read a paper at all and knew nothing of any politics outside the walls of her own home.

Then the door opened, and an old gentleman came in He was a very clean good looking old gentleman grave, and even severe, but not benevolent of aspect. Quite the contrary, indeed though his locks were so silvery white and so abundant, and his beard so beautiful and so creamy. He would have looked benevolent, perhaps, but for his under lip which projected, and gave a grumpy look to an otherwise open and kindly countenance. This was Uncle Joseph himself. He was dressed in evening costume—not the old fashioned swallowtail which old men used to wear by day, but the correct evening dress of the day with a shirt front decorated with one stud and a white tie He wore this dress—a most unusual dress in Camden Town—as if he was accustomed to it, not as if it was a kind of disguise. At sight of their great-uncle the boys shut up the backgammon board, and all then retired together promptly, and were heard to finish their game and their quarrel in some upstairs apartment Norah, for her part, applied herself vigorously to her novel and her father buried himself in the paper. So great was the popularity of Uncle Joseph

Uncle Joseph shook his head solemnly, took a chair as if he were assisting at a funeral and sat down beside his niece Mrs. Cronan, with a sigh that was almost like a groan He sighed a great deal in the evening, which for certain reasons was a trying time with him

'Two years ago,' he addressed the doctor but received no response from the newspaper, and therefore he turned to his niece 'Two years ago, Maria I should now, at this moment, half-past nine be sitting on the right hand or perhaps the left, of the chairman The banquet would be nearly over, and the eloquence of the evening in which I always took part in a few well chosen sentences would be about to begin. If you sit down at half past seven or a quarter to eight the speeches generally begin at half past nine'

"Yes, indeed, Uncle Joseph" Mrs Cronan replied with a sigh sympathetic "it must be a beautiful thing to remember"

Beautiful indeed Maria!' He sighed again "I will take a glass of gin and water But it is over—it is over I shall hear those speeches no more I shall drink that champagne no more [illegible] are strangers to me henceforth'



"I shall drink that champagne no more"

"In heaven uncle" Mrs Cronan suggested piously, there is finer champagne

The old man shook his head doubtfully as if he thought that could not be

'And nearly every night uncle wasn't it?'

'Nearly every night Maria Always in evening dress and wearing the magnificent jewels of the order Always the mysterious ceremonies of the lodge, and the banquet after the work was done. [illegible] Nearly every day of my life for more than thirty years—except Sunday—the banquet and the champagne In summer the country lodge, in winter London What a life Maria! What a career And now it is over

Uncle Joseph [illegible]—he was constantly occupied in visiting lodges and conducting the mysterious functions of the higher degrees of which the humble wearer of the blue apron have no knowledge [illegible] He spent as he proudly told his niece, nearly every night of his life in this work and as the function in every night [illegible] lodge is always followed by a banquet, there was certainly no other man in the whole world, out of royal circles, who had consumed such an enormous quantity of champagne [illegible] But to all things there cometh an end The secretary grew old He began to find [illegible] his memory began to fail him—it was whispered that he had once imparted the secrets of a higher lodge to a lower degree [illegible] a truly dreadful thing [illegible] things began to be said about slipping some of the work, and finally [illegible] resolved that the time was come when he must resign. They gave him, however, a pension of £100 a year which he brought to the Cronan household, where he came to lodge and to grumble

His champagne was cut off—it was gone for good. He would never again—alas—taste of that divine drink Now and then the old man wept [illegible] and was always discontented. [illegible] craved continually after champagne. [illegible] in putting on his dress clothes [illegible] and in talking over the [illegible] had a sympathetic listener in his niece and he found gin and water a substitute for champagne inadequate it is true but better than nothing

'It has been a brilliant career, Maria' he said 'I saw men—[illegible] noble banquets I doubt if any man except a prince and he must be a prince of seventy at least has drunk more champagne than your poor uncle. Yet such a life has its drawbacks, you can't save money by eating and drinking, the more brilliant it is, the more champagne you drink the less chance you've got of saving. You can't save champagne, and now, you see nothing but the memory remains'

'Indeed, Uncle Joseph, we are all proud of you'

"And now I'm come down to a pension of a hundred a year and to gin and water Give me another glass Maria. Gin and water!

'You must think of the banquets uncle and the great company you kept uncle'

The highest in the land,' he replied solemnly 'I have initiated and raised to the most sublime degrees royal princes and the noblest of the nobility young and old As for dukes marquises earls and barons they have been under my hands, meek and obedient, by the hundred I've lost count of baronets and knights I value not at all Yes Maria, it gives a man some satisfaction in his old age to feel he's done so much good and been so greatly honored No doubt such a life bestows an air of distinction I put it on with my evening dress. The jewels are up stairs It would not be proper to adorn my breast with those splendid regalia outside a lodge I can leave my jewels to your children, Maria but not the air of distinction That can't be left to anybody"

"It cannot, Uncle Joseph, no more than a smile"

I've often thought Maria," the old man continued 'that I should have liked one of your boys to take up the same line But of course it is too much to expect of them It is a gift. Such a man as myself can't be made. He is born as they say of a poet. Either a young man has the genius or he has not I could [illegible] most masters, whether in the chair or past it, have got no more real knowledge of the ritual whatever the degree, than they have of the Roman mass"

"Of course I don't know what it is," said Mrs. Cronan, "but I've always understood——"

"You can't understand Maria. No woman can It's beyond their intellects to understand such sublimity and such intricacy More than a dozen different rituals—think of that! Every one complete and different and all to be worked exact and word for word All those rituals at my fingers ends, without flaw or hitch, and me the man deputed to work them for instruction, for raising and advancing, and a separate dress for each, with its own jewels! The aprons and the scarfs are up stairs, with the jewels. But the rituals—they mustn't be written, and there's no one anywhere who knows them like me They've got a young man in my place. I trained him But as for comparing him with me—well, I pity the young man! They will make comparisons, and——"

'Oh, good Lord!'

This unseemly interruption was due to the doctor, who suddenly jumped up with this profane cry He dropped back, however, and sat down again, gazing about him with a look of the blankest amazement. The start and the cry might have been forced from him by suddenly sitting on a pin, or by exasperation beyond endurance with Uncle Joseph's tedious prattle, or by some sharp internal pain, or by the recollection of some frightful omission or blunder But that look of amazement—what did that mean?

'Gracious!' cried Mrs. Cronan; "what can come to you, my dear

"Nothing" said the doctor

He picked up the paper which he had dropped, folded it very carefully, and placed it in his pocket—a thing which he had never been known to do in all his life before.

"There must be something the matter," his wife persisted. "Is it toothache?"

"It is nothing,' he repeated, 'nothing of the least importance to us, or to anybody'

'Then it is something" said Norah, "and something that concerns you, at least, papa, and it is something that you read in the paper Let me read the paper, too"

He made no reply except to look about him with a bewildered look, as one who wonders what he is going to do next

'If I am allowed to talk without being interrupted," said Uncle Joseph, irritably, "I was going to say, Maria——"

'Papa, let me see the paper,' said Norah again.

No my dear, not to-night. I dare say you will hear soon enough.'

"I was going to say, Maria——"

'Yes, Uncle Joseph Your father will show me the paper to-night, Norah,' said Mrs Cronan, in a tone which implied that as a wife, she meant to know the secret whatever it was. "If there is anything in it which concerns you of course I can tell it to you in the morning. Go on, Uncle Joseph'

'I was going to say Maria, when these interruptions began that there is something in noble blood which one remarks on the very first introduction It is something——'

Here the door opened and Uncle Joseph was a third time interrupted. He sat back in his chair and began to drum the table with his fingers but only for a few moments, because the thing which followed was of such a surprising and startling character that for once he forgot his own reminiscences

This late visitor was an elderly man with iron gray hair short of stature, and of thick build but not fat, a man of hard face—hardness in his gray eyes, hardness in his firm set mouth hardness in his chin. As he stood in the doorway Norah, who had her mind full of her novel, thought he looked like a landlord come to sell up everybody without pity Nobody knew him better than herself, and her knowledge of him did not make that resemblance impossible For Murridge was her employer, she was his private secretary

I don't know doctor,' said the visitor, 'whether I ought to offer you my condolences over the death of your illustrious cousin or my congratulations on your accession to his honors.'

'I don't know either—hang me if I do!' said the doctor

You have I suppose, seen the evening papers? The paragraph is in all of them. I wonder how these editors get hold of news so quickly The news of his lordship's death arrived this morning only"

'But my two cousins!

"One of them died three years ago and the other three months ago

Good heavens!' cried the doctor, sinking into his chair

'Papa' said Norah "something has happened I think you had better let me see the paper'

The doctor sighed but he drew the thing out of his pocket and handed it to his daughter

While she ran her eye down the columns nobody spoke Mrs Cronan held a needle in suspense at the very moment of action, Uncle Joseph ceased drumming Mr Murridge smiled superior as one who knows what is coming and the doctor looked more miserable and foolish than at any previous situation in his whole life

I have found it!' cried Norah 'Listen, mother Who is Daffodil? where is Calista? The children ought to be taken out of bed and brought down Oh, here is news! Listen everybody Papa is it possible? You knew it all before, and you told none of us—not even me Mother, didn't you know?

"Your mother's grandfather the alderman—' Uncle Joseph began, but Norah interrupted reading breathlessly

'We have to announce the death of Hugh Hyacinth Viscount Clonsilla, of the Irish peerage which took place in the island of Madeira a fortnight ago Lord Clonsilla was born in Dublin in the year 1810, and was therefore in his seventy fifth year He married in 1838 Ursula daughter of Sir Patrick McGrath, baronet, and had issue one son, who died unmarried in the year 1860 The late lord never took any active part in politics The heir to the title is Hugh Hyacinth Cronan, Esq, M D, the great grandson of the first viscount and son of the late Hugh Hyacinth Cronan, formerly of the Irish civil service Dr Cronan has been for many years practicing as a physician in London' There!'

What does she mean!' asked Mrs Cronan, helplessly

'We are all viscounts and honorables Oh," said Norah "what will Hugh say? what will Calista say? Good gracious! It's like a dream!'

'Hyacinth, tell me this instant," cried Mrs Cronan again "what it means"

'It means, my lady,' said Mr Murridge, bowing low—though he was an old friend of the family, and had never bowed low before— 'it means nothing less than that your noble husband is the Right Honorable the Viscount Clonsilla of the Irish peerage. Nothing less I assure you'

'A lord viscount!' said Uncle Joseph 'There was a viscount once —he was a Templar Maria there ought to be, on this occasion a bottle of champagne'

'Nothing less' repeated Mr Murridge

"And nothing more," said his lordship. But no one heard him

'A viscount! My grandfather was an alderman—and yet— Hyacinth, can't you speak? Why have I not been told?'

"It's duke, marquis, earl, viscount and baron baronet and knight, unless you reckon the ranks of grand lodge and the Thirty third' said Uncle Joseph. 'Really, Maria on such an occasion——"

"There was no use in telling you of a change which seemed so impossible," said the doctor

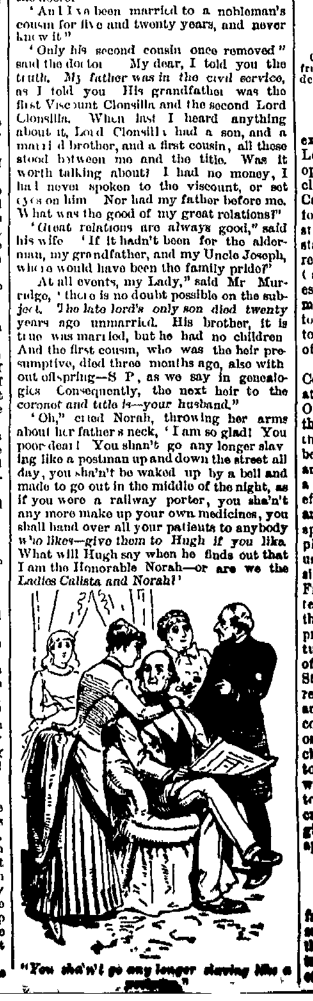
'And I've been married to a nobleman's cousin for five and twenty years, and never knew it"

'Only his second cousin once removed" said the doctor My dear, I told you the truth. My father was in the civil service, as I told you His grandfather was the first Viscount Clonsilla and the second Lord Clonsilla. When last I heard anything about it, Lord Clonsilla had a son, and a married brother, and a first cousin, all those stood between me and the title. Was it worth talking about? I had no money, I had never spoken to the viscount, or set eyes on him Nor had my father before me. What was the good of my great relations?"

'Great relations are always good," said his wife 'If it hadn't been for the alderman, my grandfather, and my Uncle Joseph, who would have been the family pride?'

At all events, my Lady," said Mr Murridge, 'there is no doubt possible on the subject. The late lord's only son died twenty years ago unmarried. His brother, it is true was married, but he had no children And the first cousin, who was the heir presumptive, died three months ago, also without offspring—S P, as we say in genealogics Consequently, the next heir to the coronet and title is—your husband."

"Oh," cried Norah, throwing her arms about her father's neck, 'I am so glad! You poor dear! You shan't go any longer slaving like a postman up and down the street all day, you shan't be waked up by a bell and made to go out in the middle of the night, as if you were a railway porter, you shan't any more make up your own medicines, you shall hand over all your patients to anybody who likes—give them to Hugh if you like. What will Hugh say when he finds out that I am the Honorable Norah—or are we the Ladies Calista and Norah?'



"You shan't go any longer slaving like a postman."

'The Lord knows!' said the viscount, still looking helpless and bewildered.

'Well, I suppose Hugh won't mind much. Oh, and I suppose we shall go away from Camden Town and live at the West End—Notting Hill even'—Norah's knowledge of the west was limited—'and drive about in our own carriage, and go to theatres every night. Daffodil will give up the hospitals and go into the house——"

"Perhaps we shall all go into the house, Norah, my dear," said her father, grimly

'Oh, you will go into the upper house Of course, there's acres and acres of land in Ireland—dirty acres, the novels call them'—Mr Murridge coughed, and the doctor changed color—'and a country house. What is the name of our country house? Oh! I know it is a beautiful, grand old place with a lake and swans, and a lovely garden and the most wonderful glass houses, and a Scotch gardener I haven't read Miss Braddon for nothing"

"There was a country house once. It was called Castle Clonsilla. But I believe it tumbled down years ago. The late lord never saw the place since they shot at his father and hit the priest."

"Well, then, there must be a grand old—old—venerable—ancient—romantic history of the house You will tell us the family history, won't you as soon as we settle down! All the men were knights without fear, and all the ladies were beautiful and without reproach.'

"I will tell you at once. About 200 years ago there was an attorney in Dublin named Hyacinth Cronan—Creeping Joe they called him, so greatly was he admired. He made his son a barrister, and the barrister became a judge, and the judge was made, for certain political services, Lord Clonsilla—Crawling Joe, his friends called him, to distinguish him from his father His son, for other eminent political services, was raised a step in the Irish peerage at the time of the union. That is all the family history Norah, and I am hanged if I see much to be proud of when it is told."

'Not one of them" said uncle Joseph, "so much as a provincial grand master'

'Oh! And no banshee? no ghost? no white lady? Are you quite sure? asked Norah

"Not even so much as a family bogey, my dear"

'Well, then there is a town house somewhere, I am sure I hope it is in Ireland I feel real Irish already To-morrow I shall try 'The Wearing of the Green." Where is our beautiful town house—Lady Clonsilla town house where she will live in the season with her daughters the Ladies Calista, Norah, Honor and Kathleen?"

"There used to be one over in Dublin, but I suppose it's been sold long ago"

"Well there's the money and dirty acres," Norah persisted

'I wish you good night, Lady Clonsilla,' said Mr Murridge "Once more, I congratulate you Good night, my Lord"

He bowed very low, much lower than is expected by viscounts as a rule, and retired

"I was about to remark, Maria." said Uncle Joseph 'when we were interrupted by Mr Murridge, that I had always observed something of the air of rank in your husband It was certain to me, that he was of noble parentage though he concealed the fact from friends who would have appreciated its importance"

'Yes you never told me Oh, Hyacinth!' said his wife, reproachfully "It would have made us all so happy to think that you had such noble blood in your veins.'

'My dear,' he repeated, "I didn't know there was the least chance of the peerage It's the most extraordinary thing that ever happened. And Maria," he added, rubbing his chin, 'I believe I've made the greatest fool of myself ever known I'll go and see Murridge about it to morrow But I am sure of it beforehand There never was a greater fool in all the world than your husband, Maria"

"Oh" cried Norah again "you will look so beautiful in your coronet!"

'Shall I, my dear? I wonder where it is. What is more to the point is whether the late lord left any money, and if so whether he left any to me There certainly never could have been a greater fool than your father, child. Esau's case is about the only one which can compare with it.

"Maria," said Uncle Joseph, "we will all move upward, immediately, into the highest society, and we will have a banquet, with champagne, every night On all points of etiquette rely on me There will be, of course waiters in evening dress. It will be exactly like a banquet of a high degree only that ladies will be present, and I shall not wear my jewels Of course I shall sit on the right hand of the chairman and respond for the craft."

'Oh, Uncle Joseph!" murmured Lady Clonsilla, carried away by the splendor of his imagination.

"As for his lordship, I will take him in hand at once——"

"I have been the most almighty fool," said his lordship

"And initiate him to the loftiest degrees I'll do it with my own hand, and then he will be a credit and an honor to the illustrious peerage of his native country I can't initiate you, Maria nor the girls, because you are females, but the boys I can, and I will, and when they are Knights Templars, Mark Masters, Royal Arches and Thirty-seconds, they will not be ashamed to talk with any one, and will be fit to share in the very highest society like their great-uncle." He drank half his glass at a gulp, and went on rather thickly, pointing to the doctor "Look at him, Maria! He is a nobleman all over Blood in his veins and aristocracy upon his upper lip Didn't I always say there was a something in your husband above his pills?"

'It can't be helped, Maria," said the viscount. 'But I wish your husband had not been so great a fool"

'Why, on the present occasion," Uncle Joseph went on, "an occasion which may never happen again in the history of the lodge—why, Maria—why is there no champagne? Thank you! I will take—yes—I will take another glass of gin and water."

Continued next week.

ORCHARD AND VINEYARD

Communications on subjects of interest to fruit growers and vineyardists solicited for this department.

PROPOSED FRUIT EXHIBIT

An effort is being made to get up an exhibition of California fruit at St Louis during the Masonic conclave, which opens September 21st During the conclave at San Francisco three years ago, California won an excellent reputation for her fruits, which can now be greatly strengthened if the fruit growers of the state will unite in the effort to secure a representative display. Some of the California Sir Knights are deeply interested and they have moved in the matter already. They have issued the following circular, which we commend to the fruit growers and horticulturists of Fresno county

"In view of the approaching Triennial Conclave of Knights Templar, to be held at St Louis, September 21, 1886, the Order in California, as represented by the Grand Commandery of the state, through their Purveying Committee, beg to state, for the information of fruit and vine growers, that we consider this a golden opportunity for a proper and effective exhibition of their products, and announce that we shall take great and special pleasure in making a proper display of all fruits and grapes donated to us for that occasion. One car, and possibly two, will be dispatched from San Francisco on or about the 14th of September, and such as propose to utilize the opportunity for introducing their products to the attention of the multitude of representatives from every state of the Union who will be assembled at St. Louis, as well as to contribute to the reputation of the state for its liberality and hospitality, are cordially invited to communicate with the undersigned at once (or as early as possible), stating the character, variety and amount proposed to be donated, when specific instructions will be forwarded as to when, how and to whom they are to be shipped. Full credit and public announcement will be given to and of such as respond to this appeal. Dr. R. B. Cole, 318 Post St., San Francisco.

PROF. HENRY OF WISCONSIN.

We have had the pleasure of a visit from Prof. W. A. Henry, of the Wisconsin Experiment Station, and a member of the Grange of that state, who has been traveling over California [illegible]

gation of the Beet Sugar [illegible] Alameda county, and is surprised more general attention is not given this important subject.

The raisin industry which is to supply a demand in the United of $7,000,000, is given very space in all calculations in Ca and is written of and published wide, while the sugar industry, demand equal to $90,000,000 in hardly mentioned.

Prof. Henry has devoted two y the investigation of the sorghum try of Wisconsin under state super and thinks the beet sugar in California are greater and more ing. The cost of raising the b this country is so much less than other side of the mountains and in many, where great buildings mu constructed to preserve them from Then the cultivation owing to th sence of rains in summer take from the cost of production. He it offers the finest field for capi now possible here Prof. Henry visited the farm of Gen. Bidwell, he pronounces the most complete of thing of the kind he ever saw. H presses great delight with his visit orange orchard of the Kimballs Diego county, and says the orch Mr Hatch, President of the Fruit is the finest he ever saw or ever to see He thinks this is the world for apricots, and says they find a market in all parts of the and in their production Californi have no competition He goes here to Fresno and thence home, the wonders of California —Cali Patron

HOW TO KILL APHIS.

About the middle of June, 1885, aphis appeared in my nursery and short time several thousand apple g which were then about two feet were literally covered by them. I saw they were retarding the growth the trees, and I set about finding a of destroying them. The lady-killed thousands of them, but were not enough bugs After ing several remedies recomme by others, without satisfactory sults, I hit upon the follow To one-third of a pound of borax dissolved in two quarts of boiling w I added one third of a pint of kero and, after thoroughly mixing, filled the pail (a common wooden one) cold water. I then applied it by ping the tops of some of the trees the pail and washing others with a c wet with the emulsion, taking car keep it well mixed so the oil would rise to the top. The result was that aphis were dead in a few hours, and few days the trees began to grow a and in the fall were as healthy-look trees as I ever saw, and with no trac any insects having been on them think the borax neutralized the effe the oil on the wood and also helped loosen the black deposit of the aphi the trees so that it was readily washe by the fall rains. I thought th would give the remedy a further this year, but as I have no aphis to t on, I send it for publication, hoping may prove useful to others if they any use for it —Salem Cor Oregonian

THE PECAN.

The pecan tree closely resembles hickory, and the wood is very sim and used for mechanical purposes hickory The advantages in rai pecans here rather than hickories are

1 The pecan being a southern tre adapted to stand heat more than hickory

2 The pecan being a much la taller tree, will furnish a greater am of choice commercial timber than hickory.

3 They are vastly more prolific hickories, and never blight their from intense heat, as hickories times do

4 Being of taller growth they are adapted to form thick groves, their dense shade will do away with necessity for care and irrigation.

Pecans are very prolific and profits and but little cultivation is requi They come into bearing in five or years from the seed if not transplan

ORANGES IN YOLO.

Drs. Barramore and Clarke turned their attention to the cultiva of orange trees. They have nurseri several thousand seedlings now a twelve or fourteen inches in height. is their intention to have the trees ded by an experienced horticulturis the proper season of the year. He fore trees have been shipped here f the south at considerable extra exp as the result of which but few trees been planted. With the developmen this home enterprise it is to be ho that the cultivation of the orange become more common. Their nu will have 12,000 or 15,000 trees.—W land Democrat

It has been discovered that rab never go through a barbed wire fe but always under it. They do not row deeply in order to get under, will scratch away loose dirt lying the top of the ground in order to ma passage way. A furrow should plowed by the side of the fence, th ing the dirt away from it, and a ba wire placed just above the bottom of furrow. If this be done and the o wires be placed as for a hog-tight-fe rabbits will not go through.

The Santa Monica Wave vouches the truth of a story that a resident that place recently opened a waterme on the dinner table, whereupon a h and lively rattlesnake issued thence the great consternation of the diners.

The watermelon raisers in the vici of Lodi have formed a syndicate for prevention of robbery by middlemen sent a committee to San Francisco, will receive and dispose of all melons.

Some of the farmers in the neigh hood of Santa Rosa have been so noyed by hunters of late that they had to refuse them the privilege of t lands and have posted notices to effect.

A Vacaville orchardist states that is this year doing his work with white men instead of the fifteen Chi whom he employed in former years.

A delicious salad is made by up peaches and bananas in thin and sprinkling them with sugar and little lemon juice.

Over ten thousand olive trees have been set out this year in the Santa valley, Santa Barbara county.

The Appropriation Bills.

The following is a statement of the propriations made during the session of Congress:

Agricultural	[illegible]
Army	[illegible]
Consular and Diplomatic	[illegible]
District of Columbia	[illegible]
Indian	[illegible]
Legislative, etc	[illegible]
Military Academy	[illegible]
Navy	[illegible]
Pensions	[illegible]
Postoffice	[illegible]
River and Harbor	[illegible]
Sundry Civil	[illegible]
Deficiencies	[illegible]
Alabama Awards	[illegible]
Naval Increase	[illegible]
Miscellaneous	[illegible]
Grand total	[illegible]

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REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

The Republican State Convention is now in session at Los Angeles. Up to the time of our going to press little more than temporary organization had been effected. Supreme Judges were nominated before the adoption of a platform in order to place the judiciary as far as possible beyond political influence. Paterson of San Joaquin, McFarland of Sacramento, and Hamilton of Alameda were nominated for Supreme Judges.

OLD WORLD AFFAIRS

European diplomacy is only a succession of surprises to those of the western world who attempt its study. France has been known to change from a republic to an empire almost in a single day and to reverse her government again in as short a space of time. English policy is frequently changed completely almost on the spur of the moment. Russia has had one grand aim to attain which her policy has been practically the same for more than two centuries past. Her one great desire is to obtain a foothold upon the Mediterranean and this has only been thwarted through the combined opposition of Western Europe that her aims in this direction have been thwarted. Two bloody wars have been fought and won, and each time the combined powers have stepped in at the critical time and robbed Russia of her hard earned victories. But the hosts of the north still stand with their faces to the southward while one by one the barriers set up between them and their final destination crumble and fall down. England and Germany conspired to build up a third rate power along the Danube as a sort of neutral ground which would stop Russian aggression. Austria supported the move and Prince Alexander of Germany, was chosen as the head of the principality which was to be nominally a Turkish province, but really a buffer between Russian and British interests. Alexander was very popular with his subjects to all outward appearances and the announcement of his abdication last Saturday was a most complete surprise to everyone except Russian diplomats. Immediately upon the abdication of Prince Alexander his former subjects presented a prayer to the Czar of Russia asking his protection. This left no doubt as to who was responsible for the sudden and unexplained retirement of Alexander. He is a victim of Russian intrigue, and in the present unsettled condition of affairs throughout Europe no power can summon courage enough to interpose any serious objection to the program which Russian statesmen are carrying out. They could not have chosen a better time for such a coup. England has her hands full with home affairs, France is ready for war at a moment's notice and Germany and Austria dare not oppose Russia when seconded by France. What new entanglements or alliances may occur within a week would be hard to predict but should a clash of arms take place at this time between any two of the most significant provinces of the lower Danube the bloodiest war ever witnessed would likely be precipitated upon Europe. Such a war might prove a great blessing to the over taxed people of Europe as it would doubtless result in general disarmament.

Since our weak kneed Mugwump administration has been so successfully bulldozed by both Canada and Mexico the "sick man of Europe, after having been the under dog in the fight for a quarter of a century, concludes that he, too, will seek a little notoriety by tredding upon Uncle Sam's spiked coat tail. The Sultan of Turkey has given notice that he will not recognize the validity of naturalization of Turkish subjects when they seek to become members of another nation. This action is aimed at the Armenians, many of whom now live about Fresno, and in case any of them who have become American citizens through naturalization visit their native country on business of any kind they are liable to be forced into the army, or may be arrested and punished for alleged crime in seeking to throw off their allegiance to Turkey. The Constitution of the United States guarantees the same rights and privileges to these naturalized citizens that it does to those native born and should one of them be interfered with in any way by the Turkish government, the United States is bound in sacred honor to protect him. But of what avail would any protest from the United States to Turkey be at the present time? The Turkish government has a navy largely composed of armor plated vessels of a superior type. One of her first class iron clads could sink the American navy and destroy every city upon the Atlantic seaboard. It is nauseating in the extreme for Americans to read the history of their country for the past one hundred years and compare it with the Frelinghuysen and Bayard administration of the present.

The Supreme Court of Chihuahua has set Mr Cutting the illegally imprisoned American, at liberty. The action of the court was not influenced by anything said or done by the head of our government, but the Mexican official who had Cutting arrested refused to continue the prosecution. It is now in order for Cutting to present claims for indemnity for the imprisonment, and it will be the duty of the United States to insist upon the payment of a just and reasonable sum in satisfaction of such claims. Mexico has asserted and so far maintained the right to arrest and imprison American citizens for offenses against Mexican laws committed in the United States and our government must demand reparation for the past offense and exact a promise that no similar case will occur in the future. The Constitution of our country guarantees certain rights and liberties to our people, and the spirit and letter of the Constitution must be upheld, let come what may.

There is an impression existing among some of the residents of the colonies that Mr Covell prepared an article or articles, in regard to irrigation matters and his connection with the same, and offered said article or articles to The Republican for publication. There is no valid foundation for such a report. Mr. Covell has not during the recent controversy offered any article to this paper for publication. It has always been the policy of this journal to give every person a chance to be heard in his own defense, and this policy is and will be continued.

A FALSE FRIEND

The San Francisco *Chronicle*, not being content with having betrayed the irrigator whose friend it pretended to be until the struggle came, when it was found doing battle for Miller & Lux in the guise of a friend of irrigation, has been indulging in a series of bitter personal attacks the past week upon any and every person who may favor the adoption of the same legislation advocated by the *Chronicle* not more than two months ago. Not only this, but it has teemed with the most stupendous, transparent, open and inexcusable falsehoods concerning the irrigation question, Fresno county and this paper. For instance in one of its issues the first of the week it based a long article upon the assertion that the rates of water rental here were $12.50 per acre—a lie not only inexcusable and foolishly exaggerated but one calculated to do great injury to this section because few men would be likely to even think of locating in a section where water would cost $12.50 per acre. The fact is, that the ruling price here at which water is supplied to the colonists is 62½ cents per acre per annum.

In a late issue it placed The Republican in the list of papers that opposed the irrigation bill formulated by the Fresno Irrigation Committee these [illegible] the bill presented to the Legislature at the commencement of the extra session. We dare the *Chronicle* or any other paper or any person who is ever [illegible] one line published in this paper that could be construed into opposition to those bills or any other measures calculated to insure to the irrigator the permanent use of the available water of the state.

We have seen with astonishment and regret that such transparent subterfuges as those indulged in by the *Chronicle* have been sufficient to make a division even though a small and insignificant one it is among the irrigators, the majority of whom are as one man determined to press the matter soon or later to a successful issue. The doctrine of riparian ownership is a mere man of straw and innovation, an old law as it exists in this country undefined and impracticable used only as molasses to catch flies.

That a paper as rich and influential as the *Chronicle* should be willing to retard the growth and prosperity of the state—should be so low, vile and contemptible as to prostitute itself and attempt to disrupt the Republican party if it cannot manipulate it in the interest of a few men—is a disgrace and a crime in the eyes of the people. It has played its friends falsely and should never again be permitted to rise to a place of dignity in the estimation of honorable people.

Four years ago J F Wharton defeated W D Grady by 208 majority for Assemblyman from Fresno county. The Democratic state ticket had 613 majority in the county that year. W D Grady has secured the Democratic nomination again this year and as the Republicans have an excellent candidate to oppose him and the outlook is that there will be a greatly diminished majority for either party on the state ticket the chances appear decidedly [illegible] Mr [illegible] a [illegible] partisan [illegible] the Democratic [illegible]

In the [illegible] Democratic ticket [illegible] was very [illegible] [illegible] Of the [illegible] are now [illegible] Democrats [illegible] the county outside of Fresno the [illegible] of the party [illegible] [illegible] other [illegible] [illegible] men could have been chosen from other sections of the county the convention certainly did not treat the people outside of Fresno with that courtesy which was due.

The Rev Sam Jones says "Conviction is the springboard that bounces us into heaven." In the far west they [illegible] call the landing place San Quentin.

Minutes of City Trustees

The City Trustees held a business meeting Monday night, present Fay, [illegible], Tombs and Bridy.

Minutes of the Board of Equalization were read and approved.

The resignation of C F Swan as City Marshal to take effect Sept 1st was read and on motion was accepted by the Board. The applications of J Win[illegible] and C W Hensley for the position of Marshal were laid over for a week.

Ordinance No [illegible] was read, [illegible] and ordered published.

The following bills were allowed: B R Woodworth $14, *Fresno Republican* $11.60, Dennis and Burlett $[illegible]. The claim of I N Fanning for $10.10 constable's fees and that of H B Chance for $1 [illegible] for surveying were laid over.

The report of the City Board of Equalization was read and placed on file.

The City Clerk delivered the assessment roll which was accepted and placed on file.

In the matter of levying a tax for the ensuing year it was ordered that a tax of one dollar on each $100 be levied and collected to be apportioned as follows: General Fund 40 cents, Street Fund 2[illegible], School Fund [illegible], Sewer Fund 10, River and Water Front Improvement Fund 10.

The Clerk was ordered to issue warrants for the payment of claims allowed from 13 to 2[illegible] inclusive.

Board adjourned for one week.

Only Fit for Lizards

Modest Republican

Senator Spencer of Napa, one of the loudest riparian mouth pieces in the Legislature, is credited with saying:

God in his wisdom intended the lands in the banks of the streams and in the watered valleys should answer for his beings. The deserts were intended for the lizard and the snake and not for human beings. I have heard enough of these deserts. Let them remain such. The flowing waters should be kept for the lands through which they flow."

We of the San Joaquin valley should feel thankful to Mr Spencer for his interpretation of the Almighty's will, but would have felt more gratified to the wise Senator had he enlightened us on the subject before inhabiting the valley as all the trouble and expense of picking up and moving to some other locality would have thus been saved us. No doubt every farmer in this valley will look up a spring somewhere, as no one wants to be a lizard you know.

Not a Riparianist

In regard to Mr W D Tupper's presence and actions at Sacramento while the Legislature was in session a few weeks ago, The Republican made brief mention, and while laboring under a misunderstanding of the facts did that gentleman the injustice of classing him among those who are unfriendly to the cause of irrigation. In conversation with Mr A M Clark, Assemblyman from this county, we learn that Mr Tupper appeared before the Executive Committee by invitation of the committee, and not in the capacity of an attorney for nor in the interest of any of the riparian claimants. While the circumstances connected with the matter appeared very much against Mr Tupper at one time, we are glad to know that he does not belong to the riparian crowd, even in the capacity of a paid attorney.

THE WATER MEETING

A Lively Time at the Opera House Tuesday Evening in Preparing a Memorial to the State Convention

Last Tuesday circulars were issued by the local branch of the State Irrigation Committee for a meeting at the Opera House in the evening and in response to the call quite a large number of representative citizens were on hand to participate. The meeting was called to order by Hon J J Griffith who was on motion elected permanent chairman. W W Phillips cashier of the Farmers Bank was chosen to act as secretary while a short hand reporter and several newspapers for the local papers took up prominent positions for the purpose of reporting the proceedings. The chairman stated the object of the meeting to be the preparation of a memorial to be presented to the Republican and Democratic state conventions asking that all legislative candidates be pledged to favor the passage of laws favorable to irrigation after which he announced the floor open to anyone who had any remarks to offer.

Mr Marks formerly manager of the Central California Colony responded. He explained the origin and labor of the Irrigation Executive Committee against which certain San Francisco newspapers are at present trying to create a prejudice in the minds of the people. He reviewed the fight between irrigators and riparian claimants who are pursuing a dog in the manger policy by which they hope to blackmail the former class out of large sums of money, and after explaining the causes which led to the first great convention at Riverside and the subsequent conventions at Fresno and San Francisco Mr Marks reviewed the work of the Irrigation Committee during the last regular session of the Legislature and also during the present extra session. He asserted that $6,000 would have secured the passage of all the water bills at the last session and also declared that the irrigators had been offered six votes in the Senate for money consideration at the present extra session. The speaker denounced in the strongest possible language the *shameful course pursued by certain leading papers* of San Francisco toward the farmers or hard and vineyard men of California. He said that the irrigators must continue their fight though they had met with reverses at the hands of the Supreme Court and a purchasable Legislature and that the only course now open is to submit our cause to the people. To do this it would be necessary to have the state conventions of both parties insert planks in their platforms recognizing the rights of irrigators and pledging candidates to the passage of just laws governing the appropriation and use of water. Mr Marks closed by reading a somewhat lengthy memorial to the Republican and Democratic conventions which charged certain San Francisco papers with publishing lies for combating the water question and those engaged in trying to secure a just settlement [illegible] that the Supreme Court went outside of the law in its recent decision and foisted upon us a principal which never was and never can be admitted by the law of this state, that riparianists had bribed enough Senators to prevent legislation that since the decision of the Supreme Court we had lived in a state of anarchy totally ignoring the law and closing with the statement that there are really but two parties to the controversy—irrigators and riparianists and appealing to the two state conventions to take such action as the present status of the case demands.

R [illegible] being called for followed Mr Marks in order but conservative speech in which he contended that the people had the right to amend or abolish laws found to be unsatisfactory to the majority. He ended by endorsing the memorial in full.

W D Tupper was next called for and in his speech made allusion to his recent visit to Sacramento claiming that his motives had been misconstrued and [illegible] [illegible] always been an irrigationist and stated the fact that he had been employed as an attorney by some of the [illegible] riparian claimants. He [illegible] [illegible] that the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] law of eminent domain. He [illegible] condemnation [illegible] of the [illegible] He [illegible] the bill [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] sentiment of the people of the county and [illegible] of the statements is untrue. Mr Tupper's [illegible] great [illegible] impress the audience with his views of the [illegible]. He was followed by S N Griffith who opposed the adoption of the memorial upon the ground that it would be [illegible]. [illegible] by the press of the state and thus have a tendency to stop [illegible] capital transfers in this county. Mr Griffith is a real estate agent and from the tenor of his remarks we judge that he thinks it better to keep the truth in regard to water matters from outsiders who may have an inclination to purchase land in Fresno county.

Hon J F Wharton made a very eloquent speech and declared that the real facts as they existed not only in Fresno but in every other portion of Southern California could not be brought too vividly before the people. The great point he said was to abolish riparian rights that the people who purchased land and water were satisfied to obtain it in that manner from appropriators so long as they had to pay anybody for the privilege of using it and that having once obtained control of it he did not think it right nor just to compel them to relinquish it or pay tribute to those who now have no use for it nor never can have. Mr H S Dixon followed in the same strain after which S N Griffith again obtained the floor.

Hon J J Griffith called Judge Dixon to the chair and after a few brief remarks submitted the following as an amendment to the original memorial:

Resolved, That we the citizens of Fresno in meeting assembled most respectfully and earnestly request the conventions of both political parties to introduce and adopt into their respective platforms a strong plank pledging the nominees to the enactment of laws repealing all so called laws sustaining the riparian doctrine and to the support of measures establishing a wise system of irrigation such as shall advance the interests of agriculture in the arid valleys of California.

2d That the said nominees pledge themselves to the support of laws providing for the condemnation of any individual rights to water right, water ditches or natural streams when such condemnation would redound to the public good.

3d That the said nominees pledge themselves to see to it that the state exercise a wise restraining control over the non navigable streams within our borders to the end that such waters may be used for irrigation and other useful purposes.

W D Tupper then offered an amendment to the above in the shape of a preamble and asked that his preamble and Mr Griffith's amendment be adopted in place of the original memorial.

Mr Marks opposed Mr Tupper's motion declaring that it embodied all that the most ultra riparian claimant could ask, that it was opposed to the irrigation interests and would be fatal to the work of the Irrigation Committee. Mr Tupper's motion was voted down almost unanimously, whereupon he left the hall.

The motion of Mr Griffith condensing the original memorial was then adopted unanimously and a committee consisting of Hon J F Wharton, H S Dixon and J W Shanklin was appointed to revise the memorial after which it was to be delivered to Mr Marks for presentation to the Republican convention now in session at Los Angeles.

The Boss of all Liniments for Horse and Man

CENTERVILLE, CAL, July 7 1886

To all suffering from sprains and bruises. I cheerfully recommend Maud S Liniment to you. While pitching hay not long since I sprained my wrist severely and was compelled to quit work. Having nothing handy but a bottle of Maud S Liniment which is made to cure sprains, bruises, etc, in horses I found it equally effective for me. For by a few applications I was able to go to work again in a few days. Its the boss and relief is almost instantly felt after using. Respectfully,

W. H GARDNER.

For sale by all druggists and grocers.

A Vivid Contrast

Vallejo Chronicle

It will be remembered that in the first weeks of the extra session the riparianists and irrigationists were permitted to state their respective claims before a legislative committee and that upon that occasion some rather astonishing disclosures were made. Among them was the claim set up by a cattle rancher on Kings river whose acreage fringed that stream for thirty six miles. This fact Mr Tillis claimed gave him the absolute right to all the water in the river for that distance. It was admitted to be sufficient to fertilize at least one million of acres. On this area under the operation of proper irrigation laws could live 500,000 people. The land thus fertilized would be worth a hundred million of dollars. Without irrigation rights and facilities would be worthless. Thus we have the merits of the riparian and irrigation policy strongly contrasted. Under the riparian theory as advanced by Mr Tillis and laid down by the Supreme Court of California all of this territory must remain forever barren and all the water in the stream applied to the sole uses of cattle. Under a wholesome irrigation policy and wise irrigation laws such as are now before the Legislature for adoption this million of acres of land lying within reach of the waters of Kings river could be brought into a high and profitable state of cultivation. It would represent a hundred millions of values, fifty thousand people could live upon it. A thousand farms could fill the expanse of present desolation and a thousand happy families grow up into intelligent and useful citizens. Now we appeal to the intelligence and common sense of the Legislature to say which policy is the best for the people of California. The selfish and avaricious policy of the cattle ranchers or the enlightened and humane policy which would give the land to the use of men promoting prosperity and advancement and giving vitality and enterprise to society? Which would wise people choose?

Bills That Did Not Pass

Following are among important bills before Congress legislation upon which was left unfinished at the time of adjournment and pass over to the second session of the present Congress, many of them hanging in Conference Committees at the close of the session. The bankruptcy bill, the Blair educational bill, the interstate commerce bill, the several land forfeiture bills, the tariff bills, the arbitration bill, the eight hour bill, the Hennepin railway bill, the Pacific railroad funding bill, the bill increasing the annual appropriation for the militia, the Mexican pension bill, the electoral count bill, several general pension bills, the bill for the admission of Dakota, the [illegible] bill providing for opening to settlement the Sioux Indian reservation, the bill providing for the equalization of bounties, the bill granting pensions to prisoners of war, also counting the electoral votes, repeal of the pre-emption law and Chinese immigration bills.

My Face is My Fortune

If you want to know why I didn't stay as long at Lake Tahoe as I expected to, said a lady to a friend in a fashionable store the other day, I know my friends have all been wondering at my sudden departure. I'll tell it to you. I [illegible] accustomed to using David and Co's Swan Bloom on my face that I could not do without it. I have always had the reputation of having such a lovely complexion and I want to retain the same. When I was at Tahoe my cosmetic gave out. There is no place there to get such things so I put a thick veil over my face and came home. When I soon became possessed of another bottle of the lovely Circassian Bloom. David [illegible] and I might [illegible] myself with [illegible] —S F *Bulletin*

The First Quarrel

In little [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] pretty style [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] months gave [illegible] It was the old story [illegible] husband [illegible] happy thought struck the [illegible] wife. She would win him back [illegible] and become the mistress of his [illegible] Visions of similar domestic scenes [illegible] children's cries which were wrought the family in [illegible] [illegible] of the young [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the remembrance A bottle of Curtis Cough Cure was [illegible] to the surly husband [illegible] [illegible] which it [illegible] readily given —A [illegible]

Safety in Epidemics

During the last terrible yellow fever epidemic I stayed here waiting on sick yellow fever sufferers burying soldiers and being exposed at all times but kept the Cotton Fuse Simmons Liver Regulator, I we there the story [illegible] saved my life —[illegible] Bartlett Tenn

Real Estate Transactions

The following are the real estate transactions shown by the County Records from August 17 to August [illegible] inclusive:

[illegible]

FRESNO MARKET REPORT

Butter	[illegible]
Barley	[illegible]
Chickens	$3 to $4 [illegible]
Eggs	20c [illegible]
Hides green	[illegible]
Hides dry	14 to 18 [illegible]
Hay	$[illegible]
Honey	8 to 9c [illegible]
Lard	10 to 12c [illegible]
Turkeys	[illegible]
Wheat	$1 10 to $1 [illegible]
Alfalfa seed	[illegible]
Wool	10 to 14c

Following are the prices for which articles are sold at retail in this market:

Butter	[illegible] per roll
Beans	[illegible]
Bacon	14 to 16c
Barley whole	90c
Barley ground	$1 00 per [illegible]
Cheese	[illegible]
Coffee	[illegible] lbs for $1
Corn meal 10 lbs	[illegible]
Dried Apples	[illegible]
Dried peaches	8 to 10c
Eggs	30c per [illegible]
Flour	90c to $1 10 per cwt
Lard	15 to 18c
Salt alum salt 1½c dairy 2c Liverpool 2c extra table	2½c
Sugar Golden C 8½c Ex Golden C 10c Dry Granulated	[illegible] for $1
Syrup 1 gal tins 75c $1 [illegible] gal kegs $3 [illegible]	[illegible]
Tea	60 to 75 c

M J Donahoo has just received a large invoice of Pressed Tin Ware, Agate Ware, Crockery etc which is offered at reduced prices.

Damiana Bitters are purely vegetable.

Specs and eyeglasses to suit all sights at Markewitz', optician.

Every Oliver Chilled Plow sold by us is warranted to do good work. We have a full stock of plows and extras.

KUTNER, GOLDSTEIN & Co

If you want the sweetest and best SWEET POTATOES try Reese's new kind.

Specs and eyeglasses to suit all sights at Markewitz', optician.

INTERESTING GOSSIP —A couple of Nob Hill housewives were discussing the comparative merits of tea and coffee as a beverage, the other [illegible] inclined to favor [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Dumming [illegible] [illegible]

BORN

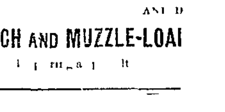
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WANTED

A WOMAN [illegible]

MONEY TO LOAN

[illegible]



A. WARNEKROS

BREECH AND MUZZLE-LOADING [illegible]

PRESCOTT [illegible]

GRAIN AND [illegible]

Grain Stored and Money [illegible]

Lumber, Wood and [illegible]

Front Street,

[illegible] TION

For Constable of the [illegible]

J N LANNING

Constable of the [illegible] Township

H C COLWELL

Constable of the [illegible]

For first class carriage trimming go to the Pioneer Harness Shop S B [illegible]

STRAYED

ASSESSMENT [illegible]

S KESHISHYAN

WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER,

FRESNO, CAL

WATCHES CLOCKS JEWELRY SPECTACLES

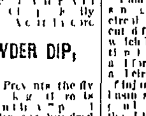
STOP!

Wheeler Fruit Jar

The Best and Cheapest Jar in the Market.

CARLTON CURTIS Sole Agent

Little's Chemical Fluid Sheep Dip.



Price reduced to $1 25 per gal

NON POISONOUS

LITTLE'S PATENT POWDER DIP,

POISONOUS

Price, 17c. per pound

FALKNER, BELL & CO.,

No 406 California St, San Francisco

NOTICE!

OUR ANNUAL CLEARANCE SALE!

COMMENCES ON JULY 15, 1886,

And Continues for 60 Days All who desire to

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR REDUCED PRICES

WILL DO WELL

To Call on Us During this Time.

Respectfully,

KUTNER, GOLDSTEIN & Co.

FRESNO Raisin & Fruit Packing Co.

GEO. W. MEADE & Co.,

AGENTS

San Francisco and Fresno Cal

In Thus Identifying Ourselves With Fresno

Under the Name of Fresno,

Fresno a Household Word

We Ask to Goods on Commission

We Have Come to Stay

GEO W MEADE & Co

Always to the Front

Always [illegible] Supply the Want of Our Customers.



JUST ARRIVED

Carload of Buggies.

ALSO CARLOAD OF FARM AND FREIGHT WAGONS,

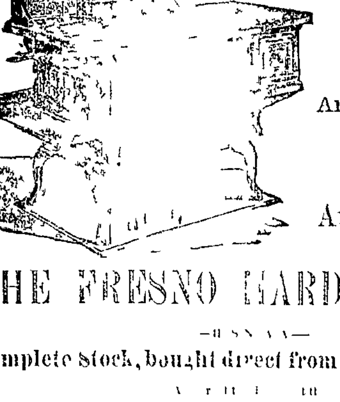
They Must be Sold Top Buggies, $60 to $250

ALL AT FRESNO AGRICULTURAL WORKS.

JAS. PORTEOUS, PROP

HARDWARE, STOVES,

Farming Implements,



Paints, Oils and Glass,

TINWARE

And Granite Ware

At Eastern Prices

THE FRESNO HARDWARE CO.

Complete Stock, bought direct from Eastern Factories

LOW RATES OF FREIGHT!

WE WOULD BE PLEASED TO WAIT UPON ALL WHO MAY CALL

Pumps, Plumbing and Tin Work a Specialty.

THE PUBLIC GENERALLY ARE INVITED TO CALL AT THE

CITY DRUG STORE.

And examine the largest [illegible] [illegible] in Fresno of all the articles in our line usually kept [illegible] Our prices will be found [illegible] market will afford.

Pure and fresh drugs [illegible] None but the best of articles used in dispensing [illegible] family recipes. Our stock of medicines is complete [illegible] and best quality.

Physicians prescriptions carefully compounded. Country orders filled with care and dispatch.

WEBSTER BROS.

SUMMONS.

In the Justice's Court of [illegible] Township County of Fresno State of California.

[illegible] Gray, Ball & Co [illegible]

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO AP[illegible]

[illegible]

WILLIAM [illegible]

Notice to Bidders or Contractors

PURSUANT TO AN ORDER OF THE BOARD [illegible]

[illegible]

WILLIAM [illegible]

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

[illegible] Fresno [illegible] McCarthy

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT [illegible]

[illegible]

LAND NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT [illegible]

[illegible]

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

PURSUANT TO AN ORDER OF THE BOARD [illegible] July 1886, notice is [illegible] o'clock [illegible] 1886 [illegible] $500 [illegible] $1000 [illegible] Clerk of the [illegible]

By order of the Board

Attest A C WILLIAMS Clerk

By W C [illegible] Deputy

Fresno Cal July 2[illegible] 1886

TO EXCHANGE

HORSES BUGGIES WAGONS &c TO exchange for [illegible] to exchange for improved property [illegible] colony. Apply at Griffith's land office.

TO THE PUBLIC

I am reliably informed that one O M Thompson [illegible] for the Singer sewing machine has [illegible] reports that [illegible] leases are executed for the sale of a Domestic machine [illegible] [illegible] Bank [illegible] for immediate collection [illegible] All of such reports are false [illegible] jealous rival for the purpose of injuring my business. I have never placed any lease in the hands of said bank as I do my [illegible] my customers will all testify [illegible] always been honorable and fair in my dealings with them. In proof of the foregoing I respectfully refer to the above named bank.

A WARNEKROS

Agent for the light running Domestic.

The Opera!

Fine Saloon and Billiard Parlor

Elegant Lunch Every Day!

L [illegible] Proprietor

RUPERT'S SALOON

[illegible] FRESNO CAL

GEO. RUPERT, Proprietor.

THE FINEST APPOINTED SALOON IN TOWN

Wines, Liquors and Cigars

FINE BILLIARD & POOL TABLES

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CHAS BURKS,

DISTRICT AGENT

FRESNO, CAL.

CHAS. BURKS,

RUSS HOUSE,

THIS NEW AND ELEGANT HOTEL

[illegible] ALLEN BROWN [illegible]

CHEAP TOWN LOTS

SINCE [illegible] TOWN LOTS EAST OF THE [illegible]

Carriage trimming a specialty at Tombs' Pioneer Harness Shop Fresno

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE

TWO WELL MATED TRAVELING STEEDS [illegible]

MILK COWS FOR SALE.

A NUMBER OF GOOD MILK COWS FOR sale [illegible]

Hides and pelts bought and sold at the Pioneer Harness Shop, Fresno, Cal.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Paragraphic Mention of a Week's Interesting Events Throughout the World.

It is denied that Nilsson is married.

Ex-President Arthur is reported to be looking well.

Fifteen dollars will pay a steamship passage to Europe.

The rice crop of Louisiana this year is the best ever produced.

Augusta, Ga., is making a big effort to build a good park.

Counting all the varieties, there are 42,626 artists in Paris.

General Booth, of the Salvation Army, will visit America in October

A Chicago policeman who shot a licensed dog had to pay the owner.

Cholera of a virulent character has attacked the French troops at Tonquin.

The Democrats and Greenbackers of Michigan nominated separate tickets.

A heavy rain did more to stop the rioting in Belfast than the police could.

Caterpillars are beginning to be bothersome on some Louisiana plantations.

A man in Tippah county, Miss., was recently arrested for "hugging" his wife in public.

The nine policemen of Belfast who are accused of murder have been arrested and sent to jail.

Gen. Butler is endeavoring to secure the Democratic nomination for Governor of Massachusetts.

Professor Bruckenbush has made a large annexation in South Patagonia in behalf of Germany.

The steam yacht Yosemite has been sold to the Canadian Government for use on the fishing grounds.

Governor Ireland, of Texas, has issued a proclamation asking for relief for the drought sufferers.

Six thousand Havana cigarmakers have struck for better wages, and sixty-eight factories are closed.

Blaine will attack the foreign policy of Cleveland's administration upon opening the Maine campaign.

Three British sealers have been captured by a United States revenue cutter on the coast of Alaska.

Colored men propose to raise $1,000,000, to erect monuments in Washington to the benefactors of their race.

The total summer packing of hogs in the west since March 1st, amounts to 2,015,000, against 1,885,090 last year.

An Illinois man says the hot weather hatched seventy chicks from eggs in his haymow without any aid from his hens.

Ex-Postmaster-General James says he will not be a candidate for Mayor of New York City on the Prohibition ticket.

The amount of 3 per cent. bonds held to secure national bank note circulation included in the fourteenth call, is $7,856,750.

The storm at Galveston, Texas, wrecked one hundred and fifty buildings, and flooded many more. Loss, over $200,000.

Seven more Democratic workers have been convicted and sentenced in Cincinnati, for ballot-box frauds in that city last October.

Enormous barns are being erected in Colorado for the protection of cattle from storms, which last winter destroyed entire herds.

A rural Canadian recently hunted up a store in Montreal and paid the balance due on a purchase of shirts which he made in 1836.

The great granddaughter of Thomas Jefferson, who was dismissed from her position as clerk in the Patent Office, has been reinstated.

Serious riots have occurred at Nagasaki, Japan, between Chinese and Japanese. Five Chinese were killed and one hundred wounded.

The Southern Pacific Road is soon to commence running sleeping-cars direct from Atlanta to San Francisco, a distance of 3,000 miles.

An ex-minister named Reynolds, who, a few days ago, undertook to preach in fidelity in a tent at Boonton, N. J., was mobbed out of the town.

Thomas Power O'Connors, in the House of Commons, maintained that Lord Randolph Churchill's speeches were the original cause of the Belfast riots.

The date of the unveiling of the Bartholdi Statue is appointed for October 20th. Many distinguished Frenchmen are planning to be present at the ceremonies.

Letters mailed in hotel envelopes are sent to the Dead Letter Office, notwithstanding the ten days' return notice on the corner, when they fail to reach the person addressed.

The Porte refuses to recognize the validity of the naturalization of Turkish subjects abroad. This is especially designed to affect Armenians returning from the United States.

Jenny Lind, the once famous songstress, has given up her London mansion, and is now living in contented retirement at Malvern Hills, England. She is sixty-five years old.

Commissioner Sparks, of the General Land Office, rules that a single woman who makes a homestead entry, and marries before completing title, forfeits her right to make final proof.

The Railway Commissioners of Massachusetts are warm in their commendation of a section of Meigs elevated road at Cambridge, built with one rail and passing around sharp curves.

The Grant Monument Association has received eleven models of designs for the dead General's monument. No choice has been made. The estimates of the sculptors range from $50,000 to $90,000.

A dispatch from St. Petersburg says a passenger steamer, plying on the river Volga, between Astrakhan and Saratov, the capital of the province of Saratov, in Russia, was burned, and two hundred lives were lost.

The citizens of Georgia will in October vote upon a constitutional amendment to supply artificial limbs to Confederate soldiers, and make suitable provision for such men as were permanently injured in the field.

There are now on the rolls of the pension bureau the names of 17,212 women, widows of the soldiers of the war of 1812. There is a suspicion abroad that a great many of the soldiers who participated in that war were Mormons.

A Jefferson, N. H., man recently kept his wife in the river waist deep hauling out slabs and handing them to him on the bank, until a Justice of the Peace interfered and ordered him to take his wife out of the water and keep her out.

Steamers from some of the Southern ports bring 60,000 to 70,000 big watermelons per trip to New York and other northern ports. The freightage is five cents a melon. Last season one company received $28,000 for watermelon freight.

It is said that the inmates of the Soldiers' Home at Dayton, Ohio, consume sixty barrels of beer every day. The attending surgeon says that since the introduction of beer-drinking three weeks ago, the number on his sick-list has fallen from three hundred to fifty.

The project to run a fast transcontinental train from San Francisco to Chicago has been abandoned, a hitch in the arrangement occurring in connection with the Iowa lines. The Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul road, having the shortest route between Council Bluffs and Chicago, was selected to run the fast train on.

The departure of the President from Washington leaves Secretary Bayard to run the Government alone, all the other Cabinet officers being absent. There are rumors that Bayard contemplates resigning, but they are not traced to a reliable source, and are apparently based upon the belief that the duties of late have been of a harassing nature made much more irritating by the criticisms of those who are zealous to unhorse the Administration a year over the fisheries question.

PACIFIC COAST NOTES.

Important Occurrences in the States and Territories West of the Rockies.

Colton's population is 1,400.

Portland, Oregon, has a building boom.

Riverside's assessment is over $1,500,000.

San Diego's new hotel will have a 400-foot frontage.

Hog cholera has appeared near Elmira, Solano county.

Ventura county's honey crop is estimated at 600 tons.

Raisin making is now in progress throughout the state.

Grass Valley claims a population of about seven thousand.

California grapes are sold in Ashland, Oregon, for 15 cents a pound.

San Diego City keeps six street sprinklers running day and night.

The Santa Barbara Mission centennial will be celebrated September 3d.

There are now 378 workmen employed at the Mare Island Navy Yard.

The town of Sonic, in Sonora, Mexico, has been entirely destroyed by flood.

The Coovina *Exponent* speaks of the "devil" employed in its office as a "she."

The white residents have driven 100 coolies out of the Treadwell mine, Alaska.

At the Anaheim ostrich farm freshly plucked feathers are sold for $2 to $8 each.

The water in the Sacramento river is clearer than it has been for a quarter of a century.

Salmon have begun running in vast quantities in Frazer river. They are six weeks late.

Michael J. Keefe has been sentenced at Sonora to thirty five years' imprisonment for murder

California's Native Sons are going to San Jose, 5,000 strong, to celebrate Admission Day.

Santa Clara's poll tax returns show a decrease of 800 Chinamen and an increase of 1,200 white men

A shipment of ten carloads of chrome ore for Philadelphia, was made from Livermore on the 18th.

Joaquin Miller has assumed the editorship of the *Golden Era*, a magazine published in San Francisco.

Ed. Frodsham, a young man, was drowned at Port Costa, on the 20th, by the capsizing of a boat.

Herman Freeres the El Dorado murderer, has made a confession. He was sentenced to life imprisonment.

P. S. Reed, of Sierra Madre, Los Angeles county, has refused an offer of $1,500 an inch for a water right.

At the Carson Land Office 40,000 acres of land were disposed of last month, realizing $30,000 for the school fund.

There is a flurry in Los Angeles over the discovery of rich gold ore on Wilson's peak, just north of Pasadena.

A "farmer" has been appointed for the Potrero Indians, in San Bernardino county, with a salary of $900 per annum

The Isabel rancho, in San Luis Obispo county, has been sold by E Hatch to the West Coast Land Company for $210,000

Orders have been received at Candelaria to shut down the Holmes mine The town is feeling blue over the prospect.

The Pima Indians, hereditary enemies of the Apaches, are to be persuaded to raise a force for active field work against the hostiles

Railroad circles in Salt Lake City are excited, and there are rumors of disagreement between the Union Pacific and the Rio Grande.

The first train after the washout on the Colorado desert passed Los Angeles on the 20th with four days' delayed mail from New Orleans.

The Pacific Coast Steamship Company has reduced the freight on grain from San Luis Obispo to San Francisco to $2 20 per ton.

A cargo of tea arrived recently at Portland and was at once shipped East over the Northern Pacific road, requiring sixty-two cars to carry it.

At Ontario, San Bernardino county, a tunnel is being driven into the base of the mountain for the purpose of developing a supply of water.

Deputies in the Assessor's office at Los Angeles are charged with crooked work in regard to assessments against E. J. Baldwin and fifty others.

About a month ago two English sparrows made their appearance under the eaves of the courthouse at Santa Rosa and now there is a family of eleven.

Parties who have been fishing in the Sacramento river, near Bannon slough, have recently caught several carp, some of them quite large, with hook and line.

A tunnel nearly 3 000 feet long will have to be made between Las Cruces and Nojoqui in constructing the coast railway above Gaviota Pass, Santa Barbara county.

The Higgins crowd claim to have carried fifteen of the twenty Assembly districts in San Francisco. The Chute gang claim five districts and scattering delegates.

The California Southern Railway are sending out loads of grapes attached to each passenger train bound east. The rate this year is $150 a car, as against $600 last year.

A tramp was refused pie at a house in San Jose the other day. He returned at night, and, after destroying the contents of the garden, stole everything movable from the kitchen.

At a meeting of the Fruit and Grape Growers' Association in Santa Rosa, on the 19th, a committee was appointed to investigate the subject of constructing a railroad from that city to Benicia.

Chico has a Democratic paper which is so far provoked as to call Governor Stoneman an "idiot." If Stoneman is re-nominated, this editor will have a sumptuous diet of crow.

Prof. John Dickinson, a brother of Miss Anna Dickinson, has accepted the Chair of Geology and Mineralogy, and Curator of the museum in the University of Southern California at Los Angeles.

A contractor while excavating on Hope street, near Temple, Los Angeles, unearthed a petrified joint of the backbone of a whale. It was found about five feet beneath the surface in a bed of cement gravel.

They seem to have balanced politics very nicely in the Senate. Of the nineteen riparian Senators nine are Democrats and ten Republicans; of the sixteen irrigationists eight are Democrats and eight Republicans.

The larvæ from which the sand gnats spring by the million on Salt Lake, Utah, are gathered every morning in nets at Lake Park, the summer bathing-place, and buried in the sand. In this way the place is being gradually rid of these pests.

A watchman fired at a sluice robber near Forest City one night last week and thought that he wounded him, but the robber escaped. A few days afterward the dead body of a Chinaman was found close by, and the sluice has not been molested since.

In 1862 a man named Young killed a man named De Haven, on the immigrant route near Independence rock, W. T. Young was tried by the wagon train, found guilty and condemned to death. Now his wife brings action against his executioner at Walla Walla, for murder.

W. A. Parks, of Siskiyou county, has been blind for twenty one years, the result of a severe attack of measles. One night recently he fell down a mining shaft, injuring his head severely, and after his wounds were dressed it was found that his sight had been completely restored.

A band of friendly Indians who have arrived at Tombstone say that the Indian killed by Montgomery, near Clifton, was one of their party, and that he was shot in the back of the head while stooping over a dog that had just been killed, and was making no hostile demonstrations toward Montgomery.

JUST OUTSIDE.

The Current News from Neighboring Towns and Counties.

Merced schools will open Sept. 6th for the fall term.

County scrip is quoted at 98 cents on the dollar in Merced.

There have been 398 votes registered in Kern county since the last election.

Owing to a scarcity of water, the Visalia flour mill is now being run by steam power.

The grapes in the vineyards along the Merced river this season are of an unusually fine quality.

The railroad company have replaced their Chinese section hands between Merced and Fresno with white men.

The Small Hope baseball nine, of Bakersfield, have challenged the Blossoms, of the same place, to a series of baseball matches.

The Buhach Plantation in this county is getting to be a beautiful place. It is astonishing what enterprise and water will do.—*Merced Express.*

The Cotton Ranch dairy sold last month 7,000 pounds of butter, 5,000 pounds of cheese, 200 gallons of cream and 1,500 gallons of milk.—*Kern Californian.*

Horace Thomas sold 107 pounds of watermelons yesterday for 50 cents, the party purchasing them taking three of the largest melons in the shop.—*Visalia Times.*

The San Joaquin river is too low for boats to reach Hill's Ferry, and the grain raised on the West Side will have to be stored in warehouses until next winter.

Our Supervisors would receive the everlasting thanks of the traveling public if they would place guide posts along the public roads of the county.—*Merced Express.*

A Bakersfield paper says: "It is a well demonstrated fact that our town has the most efficient fire department and the best water supply of any interior town in the state."

The streets of our town need a little sand on them. After the sprinkler has wet them it is almost impossible for a horse to trave on them, they are so slippery.—*Merced Argus.*

The Sixth Battalion of the California Militia will be in Stockton two days during the coming District Fair. The Modesto military expect to attend in full force.—*Modesto News.*

Geo C Doherty went to Tulare City on Tuesday night, in response to a telegram, to go to building the burned district. His first work will be for Messrs. Fore & Lightner.—*Kern Co. Gazette.*

E A. Pueschel, the postmaster at Bakersfield, has been elected a delegate to the Democratic county convention He is not an "offensive partisan," however. They all belong to the other party.

O. C. Moore, committed from Tulare City last Thursday on a charge of insanity, was released on Monday, having shown no signs of being insane while in the charge of Sheriff Balsam.—*Visalia Times.*

Four innings were played in Visalia last Sunday between the Visalia and Tulare baseball clubs, resulting in a score of 2 to 2. It was so late when the game commenced that the usual number of innings could not be played.—*Visalia Delta.*

A couple of men who were under the influence of liquor, are reported as having run the town of La Grange last Saturday. They fired off their pistols as a salute to people coming and going, and terrorized the citizens generally.—*Modesto News.*

The grain fields on the west side of the San Joaquin extend from Sturgeon, Merced county, to Antioch, Contra Costa county, and cover an area of eighty miles in length and about four miles in width.

Mr. S. M Judd tells us that the rabbits are very destructive in his neighborhood. Unless something is done shortly to destroy the pests, a quit claim deed to all the lands in the valley had as well be made in their favor.—*Kern Co. Gazette.*

Mr. H C. Park brought in from his place just out of town, a basket of peaches this week, that surpass anything in that line we have yet seen. One taken from the basket promiscuously tuped the beam at eighteen ounces.—*Kern Co. Echo*

Merced township is entitled to two Constables, and already fifteen Democrats have signified their willingness to be politically cremated on November 2d When it comes to big pay and no work, the average Merced Democratic politician is not at all bashful.—*Star.*

Speaking of serious conflagrations and the possibility of a war with Mexico, or of the President holding his vacation in the Adirondacks a month or more, it's nothing to be compared with an editor becoming a grand daddy. It occurred over on Fresno Flats this time.—*Mariposa Gazette.*

Thursday last, near Athlone, a team belonging to Mr. A. Brandon, and attached to a harvester, became frightened at a cook house that was being hauled through the field and all that is now left of the harvester is about three hundred pounds of castings which are in about three hundred pieces.—*Merced Express.*

C. M. Blowers, of Grangeville, the raisin grower, was in town Monday. He informs us that his grape crop will be heavy this year, about ten tons to the acre, or two tons of raisins to the acre. Last year he manufactured no raisins This year he will add to his vineyard, planting more particularly shipping grapes.—*Visalia Times*

An Eastern man, who has just arrived here and purchased a farm near Visalia, is having a large iron trough, in the shape of a quarter moon, cast at Conts' iron foundry, in which to boil wagon wheels in oil, and thus save the setting of tires. He claims that by boiling wheels once in three or four years the tire will not need setting. The trough has flanges on the side, so as to rest it on a brick wall, in which is to be a furnace for fire.—*Visalia Times.*

A. B. Crowell, who has a large orchard just east of Hanford, stated to us Monday that he had cut down a large portion of his orchard, owing to its infection with the scale bug. He has tried spraying for killing the insect, but gave it up as useless. His affected trees that were cut down have kept him in stove wood, and he yet has many trees that he will destroy. He finds that his apricot trees are not affected with the scale, and this year bore heavily, the fruit finding a ready market in the orchard, at two cents per pound.—*Visalia Times.*

The old conquestadore and pioneer, who was the guide of Fremont when he started to find the path that led to our present glorious and golden inheritance, was in town Tuesday. He had his buggy decorated with the flags and banners of the various Posts of the Grand Army of the Republic, the national flag and pictures of General Grant in the several grades of ranks he attained up to the climax of his fame. The breast of the old hero, Mr. Godey, was decorated with various medals and other insignia indicative of the various services in which he had been honorably engaged during his long and adventurous life. Surrounding one of the pictures on his buggy, was a silk scarf that was taken from the body of a dead Mexican officer and was presented to Mr. Godey by Gen. Hancock, in Washington, in 1848. The cause of his making the parade was thus related by him. When in San Francisco at the Grand Army Encampment, Gen. Sherman's daughter presented him with a banner, upon which was emblazoned all the insignia of the various Grand Army Encampments. She requested him to be present at Los Angeles on Tuesday. As he could not, on account of other engagements, comply with her request, she asked him to celebrate here by himself, which he promised to do, and has more than fulfilled the bill, a proof that he has not forgotten the native gallantry of the race from which he sprang, and

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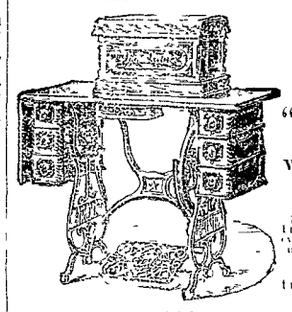
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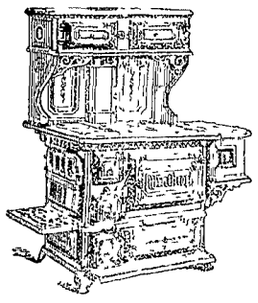
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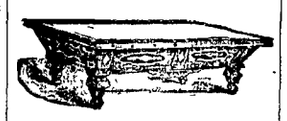
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